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believe I'm going to support this. I think this is something...we're setting out another cost to the...to the taxpayers of the state of Nebraska. Here, when we're trying to save dollars, we're allowing...allowing more...more to be spent. And unless I can be shown something different, I am not going to support this amendment or the bill. Thank you.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Janssen. Any further discussion on the amendment, on the Bromm amendment? Seeing no further lights, Senator Bromm, would you like to close on your amendment?

SENATOR BROMM: Thank you, Madam President. I will...I will again state, as clearly as I can, that what the amendment does is that it says that the maximum fee for an appointed appraiser allowed by the court will be \$425 per day. The...I think...I think even the county officials in coming to us and saying, well, we recognize that 250 is probably out of date, but we don't want it to be an unlimited amount, recognize that you aren't going to be able to continue forever getting competent or qualified people to do this kind of thing if you don't adjust the fees periodically. The 250 has been in there for a number of years. I can tell you that if you go to get an appraisal now, and it's any kind of an appraisal at all, if it's a house, for example, you're probably going to spend at least 400 or \$500, and that's not a full day's appraisal; that probably would be done in a half a day. If it's a larger piece of property, perhaps a farm, the fee is at least \$700 a day. All we're doing is saying in the public interest here we know we have to have appraisals, so we're going to have to pay something or we won't get anybody to do it, or they'll just do a very, very slipshod job of it, which doesn't serve anybody's best interests, because then you would have appeals every time you had a condemnation, until people felt they got a fair value. We're recognizing that, in the times we're in, some adjustment needs to be made. We've taken out the open-endedness of the bill and put in a cap which is a compromise between what the court feels they could...they'd like to have at least a \$500 cap; we're going below that, we're going maybe 25 or \$50 higher than what the county would suggest. I think it's a reasonable compromise. I would ask the body to support it. Thank you.